

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 19, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The first thread holding member 14 holds the thread T drawn by the thread drawing mechanism 32. The first thread holding member 14 includes a thread holding tape 14a further including hook sides of two pieces of hook-type ~~magic-tape~~ MAGIC TAPE®. ~~(registered trademark)~~. The hook sides are superposed so as to confront each other. The first thread holding member 14 further includes a pair of reinforcing plates 14b holding the thread holding tape 14a therebetween.